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Applicant's attorney wishes to make of record certain documents that have come to his attention.

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Zadno-Azizi U.S. Patent No. 6,231,588 and Euteneuer et al. U.S. Patent No. 4,943,278 have been discussed in the previous prosecution of this application, but have not been formally cited, so they are also included on the PTO Reference Citation Form.

Other references that applicants wish to call to the attention of the Examiner are Shimada et al. U.S. Patent No. 4,819,751 and Jang U.S. Patent No. 4,744,366.

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## OTHER REFERENCES (INCLUDING AUTHOR, TITLE, DATE, PERTINENT PAGES, ETC.)

	AR	European Search Report dated 5/9/01 (3 pgs.)
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